

Southern Baptists Play / In ABS

By Jack U. Harwell

NEW YORK (BP) — When Southern Baptists and representatives of the American Bible Society (ABS) sit down to tally the points of contact between the two, the results are impressive.

Southern Baptists not only rank as the largest single denominational contributor to the ABS' widespread scripture distribution enterprise but use its services more than any other denomination.

Out of two billion scriptures of all types distributed by the ABS since its beginning in 1816, more than 18 million have been produced with some sort of Southern Baptist identification imprint for special use.

That doesn't include uncounted others that Southern Baptist individuals, churches, conventions, associations and agencies have used in worldwide evangelistic and missions endeavors.

For the past 10 years, Southern Baptists have been the largest single denominational contributor to the ABS operational budget, which now totals \$12 million annually. Last year, Southern Baptists gave over \$253,000 through individuals, churches and agency budgets.

According to Edward Cunningham of Atlanta, ABS executive secretary for the Southern region of the USA, "Southern Baptists received many times over what they gave to the ABS."

Cunningham, one of three Southern Baptists on the Atlanta ABS administrative staff, was a pastor in Kentucky and director of mountain mission work for Kentucky Baptists before joining the ABS.

Through his contacts alone, the ABS has produced more than 75 scripture items specifically for Southern Baptist agencies, associations or state conventions.

The largest single order in ABS history came during the Crusade of the Americas when the Baptist General Convention of Texas ordered 1.2 million copies of Today's English Version (TEV), commonly known as Good News for Modern Man, New Testaments printed in English and Spanish.

"At least two million other TEV

copies were provided by the ABS for other Baptist state conventions during the Crusade of the Americas," reports James Nettinger of the ABS headquarters at Bible House in New York.

"For many years, Southern Baptists have been almost totally dependent upon the ABS for scriptures used

by the SBC Foreign Mission Board overseas," Cunningham said. "ABS is deeply grateful for this relationship. The Foreign Mission Board makes the largest financial allocation to ABS of any SBC agency."

In fact, in a sense, the Foreign Mission Board and the SBC Home Mission Board both played a key

role in the production by the ABS of Good News for Modern Man, which, in 1971, became the largest seller in book publishing history with more than 45 million copies sold.

ABS officials relate that a letter in 1961 from Wendell Belew, director of

(Continued On Page 3)

The Baptist Record

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1974
Volume XCIII, Number 31

SBC Ends Fiscal Year With \$70.8 Million In Receipts

State Cooperative Receipts Up 11.3 Pct.

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for the first nine months of this year, through September, totaled \$4,361,017, according to Dr. Earl Kelly, executive secretary-treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

This is a gain of \$443,505 or 11.3 percent over the \$3,917,512 given the same period of 1973, Dr. Kelly added.

Receipts for September totaled \$364,623, a gain of \$41,485 over the \$323,138 given in September of last year.

Library Organization To Hold Meet In Brookhaven

Rev. Wayne E. Todd, secretary of the Church Library Department of the Sunday School Board, since 1960, will be joined by two much sought-after members of his staff at Nashville, to highlight the program of the third annual workshop of the Mississippi Baptist Church Library Organization.

The workshop of nine conferences will be at Brookhaven First Baptist Church Nov. 12. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. and the meeting will convene at 1 p.m. Friday.

Three conference periods will be Friday afternoon, Friday night and Saturday morning, interspersed with several general sessions and bookstore breaks.

Coming from Nashville with Mr. Todd are Keith Mee and Miss Jacqueline Anderson. Mr. Mee is supervisor of the library and Miss

Move: Reaching Out with Resources", and will be available at bookstores after October 1.

Mr. Todd says, "All Christians have opportunities to witness, but they often need help in knowing the most effective way to witness."

Before joining the Sunday School Board in March 1960, Keith Mee served eight years as minister of education of Immanuel Baptist Church in Lexington, Ky. Mr. Mee attended the University of California at Berkeley. He holds a bachelor of arts degree in mathematics and master of arts in education degrees from the

(Continued On Page 2)

SBC Sunday School Board Shoots For Attendance Goal

NASHVILLE (BP) — On "High Attendance" Celebration Sunday, Nov. 17, 1974, Southern Baptists will aim toward a record 5,000,000 people

day, the first such Southern Baptist Convention-wide attendance project, is designed to celebrate the highest one-day Sunday School attendance in the 129-year history of the SBC.

Presently, over 7,180,000 are enrolled in the 33,534 Southern Baptist Sunday Schools, according to A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Sunday School department at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

Reaching the 5,000,000 attendance goal would mean an increase of one-third over the 3,250,000 people who attend Sunday School regularly.

The special Sunday will climax a six week "Reach Out Project" in many SBC churches, in which an effort will be made to contact every known prospect.

All churches are being encouraged to work toward having the highest attendance ever.

To begin the tallying process, each church is being asked to report attendance to its local association of

(Continued On Page 2)

WMU, Pastors Plan Joint Session In Miami Beach

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (BP) — The Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) and Pastors Conference will hold a joint session to open their June 8-9, 1975 meetings prior to the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) here.

The first joint session ever held by the two groups will be Sunday evening, June 8, in the Miami Beach Convention Center, according to Mrs. R.

L. Mathis, president of WMU, and James L. Pleitz, president of the Pastors Conference. The SBC will meet here June 10-12.

The Pastors Conference and WMU decided to join forces for the Sunday evening session in order to share the only meeting place in Miami Beach large enough to handle the crowd.

(Continued On Page 2)

NASHVILLE — "M" Night, the annual associational meeting to encourage participation in church training programs, is scheduled for Nov. 25 this year.

According to figures received by the church training department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, 170,111 attended "M" Night last year, representing 8,331 churches. Of the 1,192 Southern Baptist associations, 726 reported having an "M" Night program last year, with 5,962 pastors present.

"CHURCH: the Sunday Night Place for Training...Family Style," a film-strip and recorded narration for use of the "M" Night program, is designed to major on the training opportunities for the family in the Sunday night program. It is available in Baptist Book Stores.

Church, Pastor's Home, Near Gulfshore Given To Board



Beach Boulevard Church



Beach Boulevard Pastor's Home

The Beach Boulevard Baptist church, and the pastor's home and 13 adjoining lots, all adjacent to Gulfshore Baptist Assembly property, have been donated, debt free, to the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Dr. Earl Kelly, Jackson, the board's executive secretary-treasurer, in making the announcement, said that the property, comprising about two and one-half acres, was given by the

(Continued On Page 2)

Associations Meet -- Dinner On The Ground

October is association time among Mississippi Baptists and the traditional "dinner on the ground" is still a highlight of many of the annual meetings. The typical scene above shows the participants enjoying the meal as well as attendant fellowship. All 76 associations are scheduled to meet in October with many still having the "dinner on the ground" feature.

Billy Graham: In No Position To Judge President Nixon

LOS ANGELES (RNS)—Evangelist Billy Graham said here that he is not in a position to judge former President Richard Nixon.

Speaking at a press conference in connection with a three-day celebration honoring his 25 years of work in mass evangelism, Mr. Graham said that the former President ultimately "will answer in his own way" before God.

"I'm not able to be his judge," the evangelist declared.

"There is only one infallible judgment in all of the universe and that's God's judgment. We are all going to stand before Him."

When President Ford announced his pardon of Mr. Nixon, Mr. Graham praised the Chief Executive for exercising "decisiveness, courage and compassion" in taking that action.

At the press conference here, he said he felt President Ford did a "good job" in giving "sincere reasons" for the pardon.

He recalled that President Abraham Lincoln had used the power of pardon more than any other U.S. President, and that Mr. Lincoln, too, had been "greatly criticized for it in his day."

With regard to Mr. Nixon's Watergate involvements, Mr.

Southern Seminary Names Earl Guinn To Teaching Position

LOUISVILLE (BP) — G. Earl Guinn, president of Louisiana College in Pineville, La., since 1951, has announced early retirement to become professor of Christian preaching at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here, effective Feb. 1, 1975.

Guinn, 62, a native Mississippian, was pastor of First Baptist Church in Louisiana in Sterlington, Jennings and Bossier City, and was chairman of the department of preaching at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Ft. Worth, Tex., before assuming the presidency at Louisiana College, a Baptist school.

He is a graduate of Louisiana College and holds the master of theology and doctor of theology degrees from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Prominent as a preacher throughout the Southern Baptist Convention, Guinn has led special preaching weeks at Midwestern and Southeastern Baptist Seminaries and was co-author of "Southern Baptist Preaching," published in 1969 by Broadman Press.

The veteran college administrator is immediate past chairman of the Southern Baptist Convention's Education Commission and has served on the executive board of the Louisiana Baptist Convention.

In 1970-71 he was president of the Association of Southern Baptist Colleges and Schools. He is currently president of the Louisiana Foundation for Private Colleges and is a member of the Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana.

During his tenure as president, the

Thursday, October 10, 1974

Library Organization To Hold Meeting

(Continued from Page 1)
 University of Kentucky. He has conducted conferences in all phases of church library work at Ridgcrest and Glorietta Baptist Conference Centers as well as in associational and state groups throughout the Southern Baptist Convention. At Brookhaven Mr. Mee will lead a conference for new and inexperienced librarians and speak on "Use of Media in total church program" shortly after the meeting convenes Friday afternoon.

Miss Jacqueline Anderson, also with much experience in state, regional and convention wide conference leadership, is a native of Georgia. She is a bachelor of arts graduate from Tift College, Forsyth, Ga., and has a master of library science degree from George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville.

She also has served in various types of denominational work for her home state.

Miss Anderson will lead the conference, classification and cataloging

for experienced librarians. Also, she will talk about Book Selection at a general session Saturday morning.

Larry Taylor works with audiovisuals at First Baptist Church in Jackson. He will lead the audiovisuals workshop.

Mrs. Edd Lewis, director of Library Services at Jackson First Baptist, will teach circulation and records.

Mrs. Janet Jordan, past president of this Mississippi Baptist Church Library Organization, a teacher in Jackson Public Schools and on the library staff at First Baptist in Jackson, will lead a conference on the verticle file.

Mrs. Jackie Payne, Director of Library Services at Van Winkle church in Jackson, widely known employee at the State Library Commission, will hold the workshop on "Promotion of the use of the church library."

That burden becomes light which is cheerfully born.



The program committee enlisted a director of library services who has had several years experience in using cassettes in her church library to bring her knowledge to a conference on tapes and their use. She is Mrs. Russell Bush Jr. of Columbia.

Book mending will be taught by Mrs. Alice Hamer Sanford, associate professor of library science at MSU. Previously Mrs. Sanford was with the State Library Commission.

Both Mr. Mee and Miss Anderson's conferences will be continuous (if you take either of them you will not have time to take any other.) The other

seven conferences will be taught three different times for two hours each.

Mrs. W. H. Hight of Louisville, president of Mississippi Baptist Church Library Organization, urges all church library workers, directors and staff members who possibly can do so, to attend.

Mrs. J. V. Myers, director of library services at Brookhaven's First Baptist Church, is vice president and in charge of local arrangements. Other officers are: Mrs. Rex Burrow of Rosedale, Program chairman; Mrs. Jackie Payne of Jackson, publicity chairman; Mrs. Russell Bush Jr., of Columbia, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Harvey Leake of Woodville, historian.

Mrs. Jordan, and Bryant Cummings, director of the Sunday School Department, are ex-officio members. Library work in Mississippi is under the auspices of the Sunday School Department.

SBC Ends Fiscal Year With \$70.8 Million In Receipts

(Continued From Page 1)

giving was the convention's Foreign Mission Board, which received more than \$1.5 million, in addition to its regular Cooperative Program allocation and receipts from the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions.

The SBC Home Mission Board got \$56,040 above the regular Cooperative Program allocations and receipts of the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions.

Six SBC theological seminaries divided more than \$627,000 in excess funds, with three of them topping the \$100,000 figure — Southwestern in Fort Worth, \$174,920; Southern in Louisville, \$139,693 and New Orleans, \$111,147.

The only other agency receiving more than \$100,000 was the SBC Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth, with \$141,212.

"We're tremendously pleased," Williams said, "that Cooperative Program and designated gifts helped offset the inflation spiral and keep the purchasing power of the agencies just

ahead of the cost of living percentage."

The \$38 million-plus Cooperative Program figure represents more than \$4.2 million — or 12.43 per cent — above \$33.8 million received through fiscal 1972-73.

Cumulative designated gifts through the 1973-74 fiscal year amounted to more than \$32.7 million. That's more than \$3.6 million above designations of some \$29 million received through last fiscal year.

Figures for the month of September, 1974, alone, the final month of the fiscal year, only showed a minimal increase over September, 1973, Williams said.

More than \$3.4 million in total contributions, Cooperative Program and designated, came in September — amounting to only 1.58 per cent above total receipts in September, 1973.

Included in the \$3.4 million is more than \$3 million in Cooperative Program receipts — a 3.58 percent increase over the same month last year — and \$306,850 in designated gifts — some \$449,241, or 11.66 per cent, below September, 1973.

The SBC Home Mission Board got \$56,040 above the regular Cooperative Program allocations and receipts of the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions.

Six SBC theological seminaries divided more than \$627,000 in excess funds, with three of them topping the \$100,000 figure — Southwestern in Fort Worth, \$174,920; Southern in Louisville, \$139,693 and New Orleans, \$111,147.

The only other agency receiving more than \$100,000 was the SBC Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth, with \$141,212.

"We're tremendously pleased," Williams said, "that Cooperative Program and designated gifts helped offset the inflation spiral and keep the purchasing power of the agencies just

ahead of the cost of living percentage."

The \$38 million-plus Cooperative Program figure represents more than \$4.2 million — or 12.43 per cent — above \$33.8 million received through fiscal 1972-73.

Cumulative designated gifts through the 1973-74 fiscal year amounted to more than \$32.7 million. That's more than \$3.6 million above designations of some \$29 million received through last fiscal year.

Figures for the month of September, 1974, alone, the final month of the fiscal year, only showed a minimal increase over September, 1973, Williams said.

More than \$3.4 million in total contributions, Cooperative Program and designated, came in September — amounting to only 1.58 per cent above total receipts in September, 1973.

Included in the \$3.4 million is more than \$3 million in Cooperative Program receipts — a 3.58 percent increase over the same month last year — and \$306,850 in designated gifts — some \$449,241, or 11.66 per cent, below September, 1973.

The SBC Home Mission Board got \$56,040 above the regular Cooperative Program allocations and receipts of the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions.

Six SBC theological seminaries divided more than \$627,000 in excess funds, with three of them topping the \$100,000 figure — Southwestern in Fort Worth, \$174,920; Southern in Louisville, \$139,693 and New Orleans, \$111,147.

The only other agency receiving more than \$100,000 was the SBC Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth, with \$141,212.

"We're tremendously pleased," Williams said, "that Cooperative Program and designated gifts helped offset the inflation spiral and keep the purchasing power of the agencies just

ahead of the cost of living percentage."

The \$38 million-plus Cooperative Program figure represents more than \$4.2 million — or 12.43 per cent — above \$33.8 million received through fiscal 1972-73.

Cumulative designated gifts through the 1973-74 fiscal year amounted to more than \$32.7 million. That's more than \$3.6 million above designations of some \$29 million received through last fiscal year.

Figures for the month of September, 1974, alone, the final month of the fiscal year, only showed a minimal increase over September, 1973, Williams said.

More than \$3.4 million in total contributions, Cooperative Program and designated, came in September — amounting to only 1.58 per cent above total receipts in September, 1973.

Included in the \$3.4 million is more than \$3 million in Cooperative Program receipts — a 3.58 percent increase over the same month last year — and \$306,850 in designated gifts — some \$449,241, or 11.66 per cent, below September, 1973.

The SBC Home Mission Board got \$56,040 above the regular Cooperative Program allocations and receipts of the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions.

Six SBC theological seminaries divided more than \$627,000 in excess funds, with three of them topping the \$100,000 figure — Southwestern in Fort Worth, \$174,920; Southern in Louisville, \$139,693 and New Orleans, \$111,147.

The only other agency receiving more than \$100,000 was the SBC Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth, with \$141,212.

"We're tremendously pleased," Williams said, "that Cooperative Program and designated gifts helped offset the inflation spiral and keep the purchasing power of the agencies just

ahead of the cost of living percentage."

The \$38 million-plus Cooperative Program figure represents more than \$4.2 million — or 12.43 per cent — above \$33.8 million received through fiscal 1972-73.

Cumulative designated gifts through the 1973-74 fiscal year amounted to more than \$32.7 million. That's more than \$3.6 million above designations of some \$29 million received through last fiscal year.

Figures for the month of September, 1974, alone, the final month of the fiscal year, only showed a minimal increase over September, 1973, Williams said.

More than \$3.4 million in total contributions, Cooperative Program and designated, came in September — amounting to only 1.58 per cent above total receipts in September, 1973.

Included in the \$3.4 million is more than \$3 million in Cooperative Program receipts — a 3.58 percent increase over the same month last year — and \$306,850 in designated gifts — some \$449,241, or 11.66 per cent, below September, 1973.

The SBC Home Mission Board got \$56,040 above the regular Cooperative Program allocations and receipts of the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions.

Six SBC theological seminaries divided more than \$627,000 in excess funds, with three of them topping the \$100,000 figure — Southwestern in Fort Worth, \$174,920; Southern in Louisville, \$139,693 and New Orleans, \$111,147.

The only other agency receiving more than \$100,000 was the SBC Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth, with \$141,212.

"We're tremendously pleased," Williams said, "that Cooperative Program and designated gifts helped offset the inflation spiral and keep the purchasing power of the agencies just

ahead of the cost of living percentage."

The \$38 million-plus Cooperative Program figure represents more than \$4.2 million — or 12.43 per cent — above \$33.8 million received through fiscal 1972-73.

Cumulative designated gifts through the 1973-74 fiscal year amounted to more than \$32.7 million. That's more than \$3.6 million above designations of some \$29 million received through last fiscal year.

Figures for the month of September, 1974, alone, the final month of the fiscal year, only showed a minimal increase over September, 1973, Williams said.

More than \$3.4 million in total contributions, Cooperative Program and designated, came in September — amounting to only 1.58 per cent above total receipts in September, 1973.

Included in the \$3.4 million is more than \$3 million in Cooperative Program receipts — a 3.58 percent increase over the same month last year — and \$306,850 in designated gifts — some \$449,241, or 11.66 per cent, below September, 1973.

The SBC Home Mission Board got \$56,040 above the regular Cooperative Program allocations and receipts of the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions.

Six SBC theological seminaries divided more than \$627,000 in excess funds, with three of them topping the \$100,000 figure — Southwestern in Fort Worth, \$174,920; Southern in Louisville, \$139,693 and New Orleans, \$111,147.

The only other agency receiving more than \$100,000 was the SBC Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth, with \$141,212.

"We're tremendously pleased," Williams said, "that Cooperative Program and designated gifts helped offset the inflation spiral and keep the purchasing power of the agencies just

ahead of the cost of living percentage."

The \$38 million-plus Cooperative Program figure represents more than \$4.2 million — or 12.43 per cent — above \$33.8 million received through fiscal 1972-73.

Cumulative designated gifts through the 1973-74 fiscal year amounted to more than \$32.7 million. That's more than \$3.6 million above designations of some \$29 million received through last fiscal year.

Figures for the month of September, 1974, alone, the final month of the fiscal year, only showed a minimal increase over September, 1973, Williams said.

More than \$3.4 million in total contributions, Cooperative Program and designated, came in September — amounting to only 1.58 per cent above total receipts in September, 1973.

Included in the \$3.4 million is more than \$3 million in Cooperative Program receipts — a 3.58 percent increase over the same month last year — and \$306,850 in designated gifts — some \$449,241, or 11.66 per cent, below September, 1973.

The SBC Home Mission Board got \$56,040 above the regular Cooperative Program allocations and receipts of the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions.

Six SBC theological seminaries divided more than \$627,000 in excess funds, with three of them topping the \$100,000 figure — Southwestern in Fort Worth, \$174,920; Southern in Louisville, \$139,693 and New Orleans, \$111,147.

The only other agency receiving more than \$100,000 was the SBC Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth, with \$141,212.

"We're tremendously pleased," Williams said, "that Cooperative Program and designated gifts helped offset the inflation spiral and keep the purchasing power of the agencies just

ahead of the cost of living percentage."

The \$38 million-plus Cooperative Program figure represents more than \$4.2 million — or 12.43 per cent — above \$33.8 million received through fiscal 1972-73.

Cumulative designated gifts through the 1973-74 fiscal year amounted to more than \$32.7 million. That's more than \$3.6 million above designations of some \$29 million received through last fiscal year.

Figures for the month of September, 1974, alone, the final month of the fiscal year, only showed a minimal increase over September, 1973, Williams said.

More than \$3.4 million in total contributions, Cooperative Program and designated, came in September — amounting to only 1.58 per cent above total receipts in September, 1973.

Included in the \$3.4 million is more than \$3 million in Cooperative Program receipts — a 3.58 percent increase over the same month last year — and \$306,850 in designated gifts — some \$449,241, or 11.66 per cent, below September, 1973.

The SBC Home Mission Board got \$56,040 above the regular Cooperative Program allocations and receipts of the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions.

Six SBC theological seminaries divided more than \$627,000 in excess funds, with three of them topping the \$100,000 figure — Southwestern in Fort Worth, \$174,920; Southern in Louisville, \$139,693 and New Orleans, \$111,147.

The only other agency receiving more than \$100,000 was the SBC Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth, with \$141,212.

"We're tremendously pleased," Williams said, "that Cooperative Program and designated gifts helped offset the inflation spiral and keep the purchasing power of the agencies just

ahead of the cost of living percentage."

The \$38 million-plus Cooperative Program figure represents more than \$4.2 million — or 12.43 per cent — above \$33.8 million received through fiscal 1972-73.

Cumulative designated gifts through the 1973-74 fiscal year amounted to more than \$32.7 million. That's more than \$3.6 million above designations of some \$29 million received through last fiscal year.

Figures for the month of September, 1974, alone, the final month of the fiscal year, only showed a minimal increase over September, 1973, Williams said.

More than \$3.4 million in total contributions, Cooperative Program and designated, came in September — amounting to only 1.58 per cent above total receipts in September, 1973.

Included in the \$3.4 million is more than \$3 million in Cooperative Program receipts — a 3.58 percent increase over the same month last year — and \$306,850 in designated gifts — some \$449,

Interest Rates And Financing Double Church Loan Seekers

By Toby Drain

ATLANTA (BP) — High interest rates and increasing inability to obtain local financing for new buildings have doubled the number of church loan inquiries received by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board (HMB) here.

The HMB annually makes loans totaling some \$10 million to about 250 churches and receives inquiries from another 1,000 churches, most of which in the past have eventually obtained their loans from local sources such as banks or savings and loan agencies.

But more and more congregations are finding there is no money available locally for loans or they cannot afford the interest rate and are calling on the HMB for help.

He added that for the first time in 10 years the loans division, in light of the flood of inquiries, is being forced to consider how to set priorities and how to restrict loans.

Because of commitments made more than a year ago, Kilgore said, the HMB has been able to get loans at a rate which has kept the interest rate to churches at the 8.5 per cent level. But those commitments have been exhausted and the next borrowing will cost 11.5 per cent, thus prompting considerations of raising the HMB rate to churches or subsidizing the loans.

"We're finding many churches, or contractors, can't get a construction bond because the companies issuing the bonds don't have any idea about the final cost," Kilgore said. "They are reluctant to issue a contract with inflation what it is unless there is a good margin for error."

Many churches are also having difficulty getting construction loans. Kilgore said that in the past most churches have been able to take a HMB loan commitment letter to a local bank and obtain construction financing — money to pay the building cost as the building goes up.

Such difficulties coupled with high interest where loans are available, Kilgore said, are prompting many churches to consider bond programs which enable them to borrow from individuals instead of a financial institution.

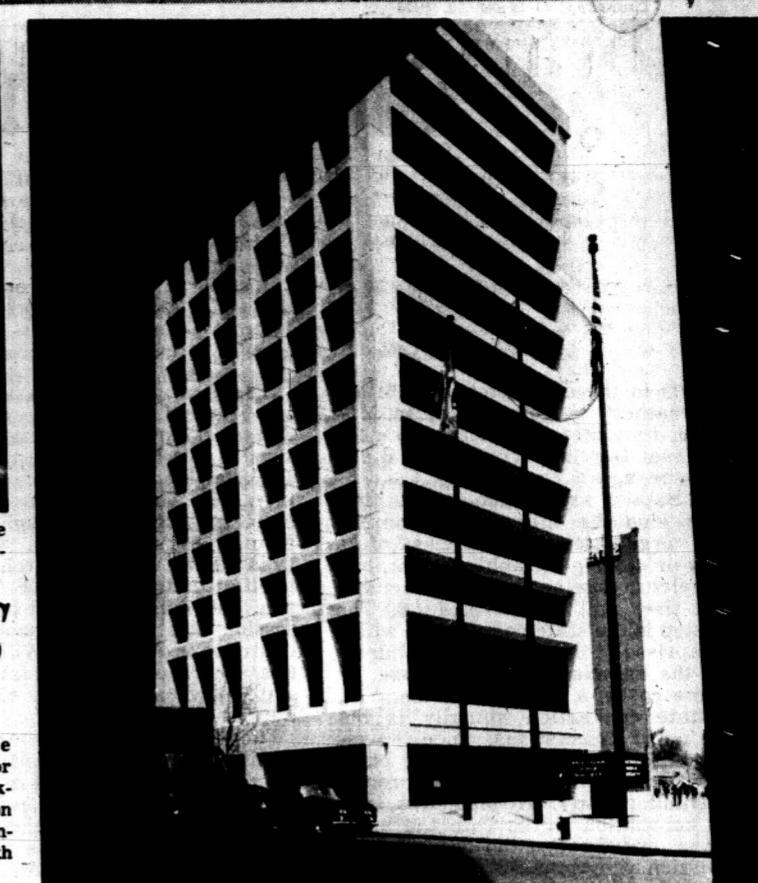
"In most instances the increased spread is about two per cent over the face of the bond — a church issuing 8½ per cent bonds usually is paying about 10½ per cent interest on its money when all the fees and other costs are considered," he said.

Kilgore offered advice for any church going into a building program: "Build only what is absolutely necessary and make the building for multiple uses — the economics of the situation are that most churches today simply cannot afford to have the tremendous investment in a building used only an hour or two a week."



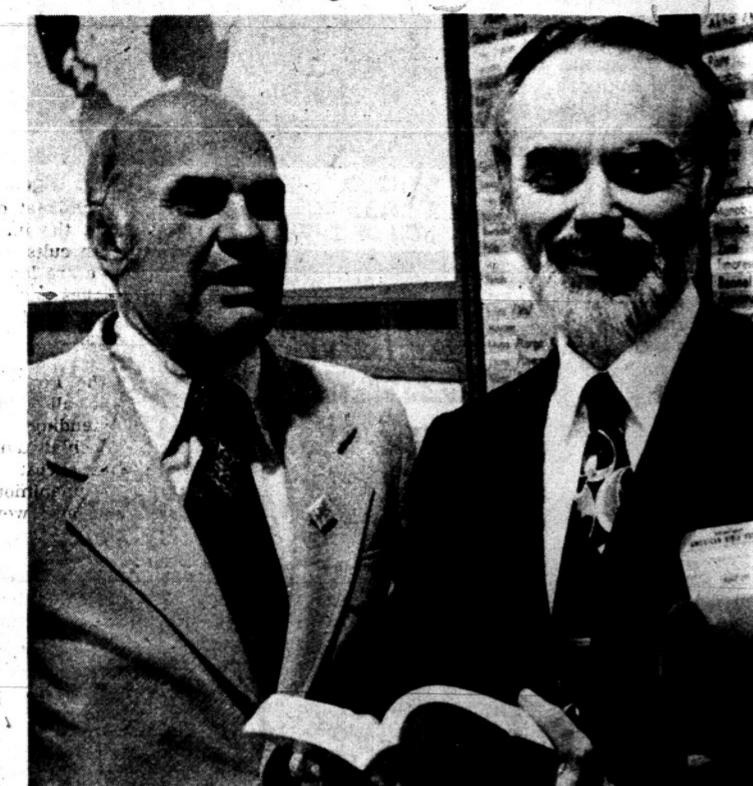
Twenty-three representatives of Southern Baptist State Conventions attended on orientation session at the headquarters of the American Bible Society in New York

City Sept. 19-20, 1974. The group is being addressed here by the Rev. Dr. John D. Erickson, an executive secretary of the ABS. — (ABS Photo)



BIBLE HOUSE, headquarters of the American Bible Society, on Broadway at 61st Street in New York City. (ABS Photo)

SBC Plays Major Role In ABS



TEV Translator Addresses Baptist Editors — Among program participants at an American Bible Society-sponsored orientation for Southern Baptist editors in New York City were the Rev. J. Edward Cunningham (left), a Southern Baptist who is executive secretary of the Southern Region in the ABS National Distribution Department, and the Rev. Dr. Robert G. Bratcher (right), a former Southern Baptist foreign missionary who was the principal translator of "Good News for Modern Man," the New Testament in Today's English Version published by the ABS. Dr. Bratcher is chairman of an ABS committee now at work on the TEV Old Testament. (BP) Photo by American Bible Society.

(Continued from Page 1)
the missions division of the Home Mission Board, sparked the idea for the Good News version when he asked if a New Testament translation could be prepared that would be understood by people with a fourth grade education.

As a result of Belew's letter, Robert G. Bratcher, a former Southern Baptist foreign missionary, headed a team of ABS translators which produced the Good News version in 1966. Another team headed by Bratcher is completing translation of the Old Testament in Today's English Version. The complete TEV Bible will be released by the ABS in 1976 as a "gift to America on its 200th birthday."

The ABS, Cunningham points out, has had a good working relationship with Southern Baptists in producing many special scripture pieces for special ministries.

Examples with the Home Mission Board include packets for state park ministries, prison ministries, migrant workers, good will centers and "Campers on Mission," the board's work with family campsites.

For many years, ABS has produced special Bible portions to coincide with January Bible Study Week in the Southern Baptist Convention. Now it is giving major promotion to "Justice Now," a special edition of Hosea-Amos - Micah, which will be January Bible Study books in 1976.

"One of the most popular items in the ABS catalogue is 'Jesus,' the special book on the life and sayings of our Saviour produced at the request of National Student Ministries at the Baptist Sunday School Board and the Home Mission Board for use on college campuses," Cunningham says.

He points out that ABS has also produced a special edition of the Gospel of Mark for the Woman's Missionary Union SBC auxiliary to be used with "coffee dialogues" which WMU sponsors.

In 1974, ABS is working with National Student Ministries in a major effort to get scriptures in the hands of every international student on every college campus in the nation.

Many ABS scripture projects have been completed in conjunction with state Baptist conventions and local associations and churches. One of the biggest was the printing of one million copies of a tabloid edition of the Gospel of John for the Georgia Baptist Convention in 1972, when the convention was 150 years old. The same edition was reprinted for Indiana Baptists, with a special cover designed for the Indianapolis 500 auto race. Over 100,000 copies were distributed to race fans.

Many Southern Baptist groups are now working with Cunningham and other ABS officials on special scripture items to be used in 1976, as part of the national bicentennial. The ABS, using a "Good News America" slogan, plans massive Bible distribution projects for the bicentennial. In Mississippi, the ABS is working with Southern Baptists to place a Bible in every black home in 1975. Cunningham helped Baptists in New Orleans to produce special Mardi Gras editions of Bible portions.

Miami Baptists produced an Orange Bowl edition, including lineups of football teams, and when the Super Bowl football game was played in Houston, Baptists and ABS distributed more than 200,000 evangelistic portions of scripture.

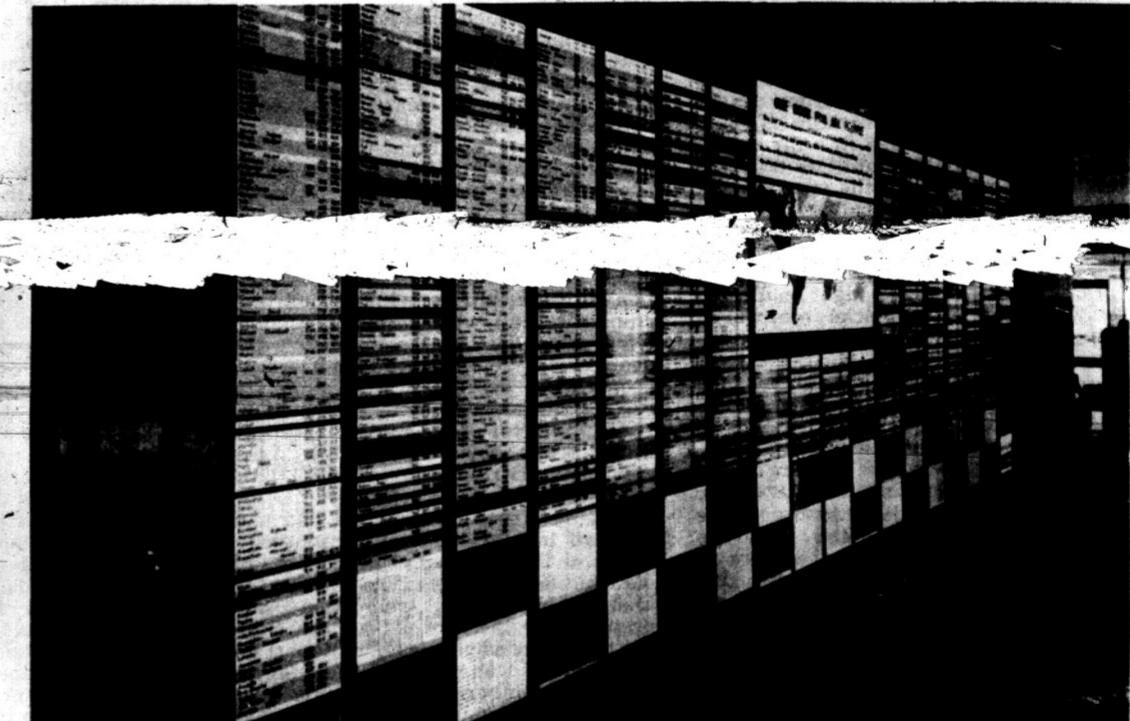
ABS also makes scriptures available to chaplains at military bases, hospitals, prisons and other places, usually without cost.

"By producing Bibles and scripture portions in such heavy volume, we can keep unit costs way down. We pass these savings on to Southern Baptists and to all other groups who purchase and distribute ABS scriptures," Cunningham explained.

"ABS hopes this happy relationship with Southern Baptists continues on into the future. Our common task of getting God's word into the hands of every man, in a language he can understand at a price he can afford to pay, calls for cooperation and creativity on the part of all concerned."



GOOD NEWS FOR SOUTHERN BAPTISTS — At the headquarters of the American Bible Society in New York City, where they were attending an orientation meeting for representatives of Southern Baptist State Conventions, Joe T. Odie, editor of the Baptist Record, left, and Dr. Earl Kelly, executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, center, examine a copy of the newly published "Good News for Modern Man" in Color, the American Bible Society's New Testament in Today's English Version with more than 200 full color illustrations, with Dr. John D. Erickson, right, executive secretary of the ABS Ways and Means Department. (ABS Photo)



LANGUAGE CHART AT BIBLE HOUSE — On the first floor of Bible House in New York is located a wall chart listing all languages in which a part of the Scriptures has been translated and published since the invention of printing by Johann Gutenberg in 1456. The chart gives the dates of publication of the first portion of the Bible, the first complete New Testament, and the first Bible in the language. At the end of 1973 the chart showed that a portion of the Bible had been translated and published in 1526 languages.

Eddleman Resigns As Head Of Criswell Bible Institute

DALLAS (BP) — H. Leo Eddleman, a former president of a Southern Baptist Convention seminary, has resigned as president of the Criswell Bible Institute here to teach fulltime at the school affiliated with First Baptist Church, the SBC's largest church.

Eddleman, who served as president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 1969-70, cited as reasons for his decision "growing administrative responsibilities" and radical back surgery in 1970 and 1973 which "has resulted in some physical limitations."

He left a position as manuscript analyst at the SBC Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., to become

Martins To Begin Work In Southern Africa Nation

RICHMOND, Va. — Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Martin have been transferred from their mission station in Tanzania to a new mission effort in Madagascar (Malagasy Republic).

The Martins, Southern Baptist missionaries appointed to Kenya in 1966, will open the work in the island-nation off the eastern coast of Southern Africa after completing their furlough and language study. Initially they will be stationed in the Capital city of Tananarive and will be involved in general evangelism work.

"We can't talk about what we'll be doing because we don't really know," said Martin. "We'll have our eyes and ears open to see what needs there

are and what opportunities we can fit into. I have an idea that our work will primarily be one-to-one, personally, that type of ministry at first. I hope that it will never be less than that."

Approximately one-third of the country's eight million people are Christians, or considered to be Christians, according to Martin. Of these, half are Protestants and half are Catholic. The major Protestant denomination is Lutheran. Other Protestant groups include the Church of Jesus Christ, an attempt at a united church that really didn't materialize, and two main Baptist organizations, the American Conservative Baptist organization and the Baptist Association.

"There are too many people to be won without us being concerned with dragging away their members. We're not interested in that at all. We're joining hands with existing Baptist work to get the message of Christ out to all the people."

The culture will be different from the culture in which the Martins worked in Kenya and Tanzania. The Malagasy people are not ethnically African, but Malo-Polynesian.

"The people, from my impressions during the very brief visit there, are happy," Martin said. "I noticed they had sort of a spring in their gait. They seemed to have a sense of confidence and are extremely cordial. They are an interesting people."

"One of the opportunities that may open for the Martins is literacy work. Both of the Martins taught at the Baptist seminary in Arusha, Tanzania; Mrs. Martin taught literacy among other subjects."

"We both like to teach and we both believe in literacy work as an avenue for evangelism," Martin continued. "It's possible that we may find some opportunities to use adult literacy work. We'll just have to see."

Madagascar has a comparatively stable government, according to Martin. In 1972 a bloodless military coup took over the then 14-year-old republic. Since then a national referendum has left the government in the hands of the military for another five years. Then there will be a general election and civilian government.

"I talked to the minister of labor, a fine Christian," Martin said. He was extremely encouraging. This kind of welcome is genuine and bona fide. It represents a real opportunity."

As Southern Baptist missionaries open new work in Madagascar, they will face a new culture, a new ministry and a warm welcome.

The Baptist Record

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION

EDITORIAL

It Is Association Time

Fall is in the air. October's "bright blue weather" is here again. In Mississippi, that means that the time for the annual Baptist associational meetings once again has come.

The Baptist association is the first step beyond the church in denominational organization. Churches of a county or other geographical area, join themselves together in a fellowship which they call the association. The next step is the state convention, which is comprised of the cooperating churches in the associations in the state, or in some cases, a group of states. Yet, the state convention actually is not made up of associations, since the relationship of the churches to the state convention is direct and not through the smaller body. Nevertheless, the state convention works with the associations, and through the associations, in mission programs and other ways. The whole system is a bit mystifying to the non-Baptist, but if he remembers that every church is independent and autonomous, and that all relationships are on a voluntary basis, without the denominational organizations having authority over any church, he can begin to comprehend the nature of the various Baptist fellowships.

"Bible House" On Broadway

Broadway! That word brings thoughts of Times Square, of gay lights, of flashy signs, of theatres, of plays, of musical comedies, of restaurants, and of crowds. It reminds one of tall buildings, of great business firms, of finance and commerce. It may bring thoughts of parades, of buses, of taxis, and of subways. Songs may come to mind, and books and plays.

Many Americans have stood on Broadway, while others know it only through the television tube, the radio voice or the printed page. Without question it is one of the best-known streets in the world.

We wonder, however, how many Americans think of spiritual matters when they think of Broadway. Do they realize that there is something else along Broadway beside pleasure and business? For example, how many Baptists know that the headquarters of Southern Baptist work in the greater New York area is centered in a building, scarcely a half-block from Broadway, on 72nd St.? There Mississippi Ken Lyles leads a staff in a far-reaching ministry amid the millions of grace of New York. We wonder, too, that

that state executive secretaries and editors, had the privilege of visiting a great spiritual bastion right on Broadway, and only a few blocks from world-famed Times Square. This organization, The American Bible Society, is one of the most influential religious organizations financial support to the way, its message and work extends to the ends of the earth.

Southern Baptists give the largest denominational financial support to the American Bible Society, so executives of that organization, invited the Southern Baptist secretaries and editors to be guests of the Society for a two day briefing and seminar at the Societies home base. Dr. Kelly and your editor were among those who were invited. It was a meaningful experience.

The American Bible Society is one of 56 national Bible societies which work in 150 countries around the world. Ministering together in what is called the United Bible Societies, these organizations have coordinated their activities, and in 1972 distributed more than 218,000,000 copies of scripture or portions of the scripture.

NEWEST BOOKS

Textbook And Related Materials Ready For 1975 January Bible Study

ACTS: WORKING TOGETHER IN CHRIST'S MISSION by J. Estill Jones (Convention Press, 144 pp., \$1.10).

This is the textbook for the January Bible Study for 1975. The author is a pastor and former theological professor. In ten chapters he outlines and analyzes the book of Acts and presents its historical message as a revelation of how early Christians work together in Christ's mission. The book of Acts is divided into sections with each covered in a chapter in the text book. The outlining is very clear and the interpretation opens up the spiritual experiences and power of the first churches. This will be a splendid guide book for the thousands of people who will be studying the book of Acts next January.

STUDY GUIDE, ACTS: WORKING TOGETHER IN CHRIST'S MISSION by James E. Green (Convention Press, 88 pp., \$1.00).

study of the book of Acts in the January Bible study. This is a pupil's book with study exercises and study notes. In the exercises, blanks are given for filling in answers with the answers given at the end of each exercise. The material is so prepared that it can be used either in individual study or class seriously.

TEACHING GUIDE FOR ACTS: WORKING TOGETHER IN CHRIST'S MISSION by Laciene E. Coleman (Convention Press, 32 pp., paper, 40c).

A small resource guide to help those who will be teaching the book of Acts in the January Bible Study. The chapters are related to those in the textbook and makes suggestions for effectively teaching of the textbook and the book of Acts itself.

ACTS: TEACHING RESOURCE KIT by Harold C. Marsh and Ralph L. Murray (Church Services and Materials Division, Sunday School Board, SBC, \$9.95).

A kit of materials for use in preparing

for and teaching the January, 1975 study of the book of Acts. This is a pupil's book with study exercises and study notes. In the exercises, blanks are given for filling in answers with the answers given at the end of each exercise. The material is so prepared that it can be used either in individual study or class seriously.

AN OUTLINED STUDY OF ACTS by L. E. Green (Dr. L. E. Green, 4507 Fort St., Pascagoula, MS 39567, paper, 16 pp., mimeographed, \$1.25 postpaid).

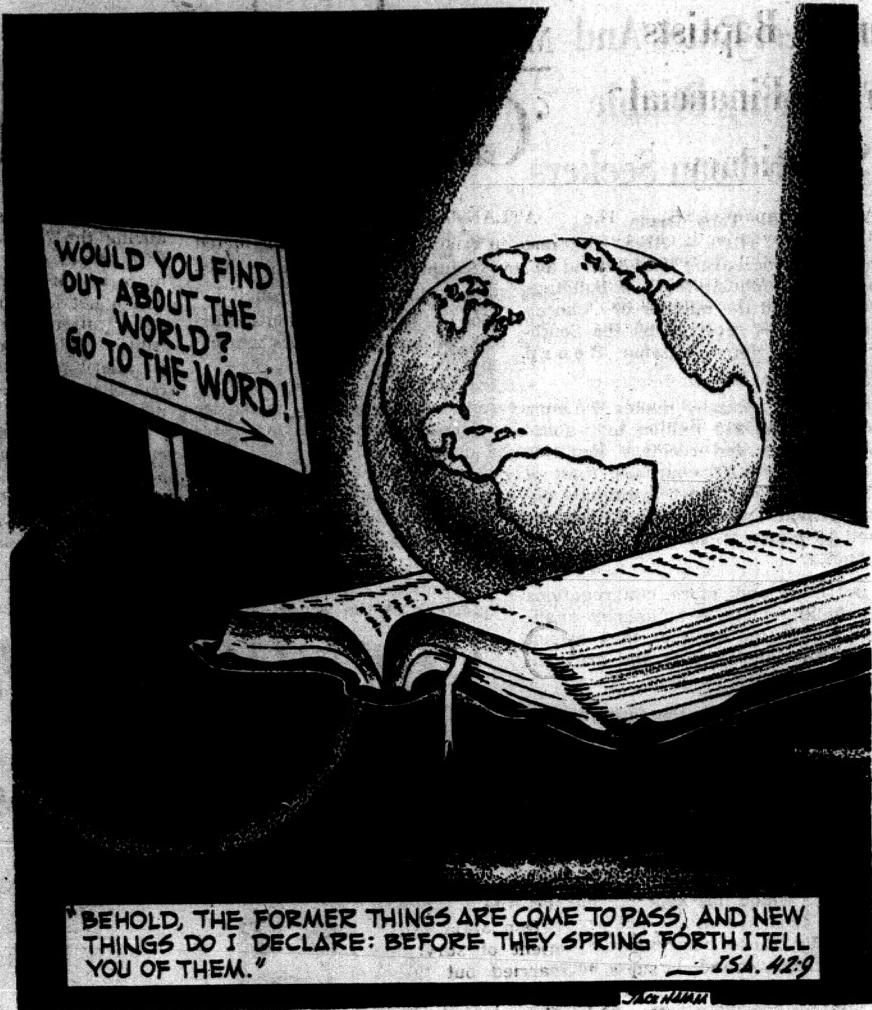
Each year, for many years, Dr. L. E. Green, formerly a Mississippi pastor, and now retired, has prepared an outlined study

for the January Bible study book. In this year's volume he has given valuable notes and references which will greatly aid the person who is teaching the book or is studying it individually. The first chapter gives introductory materials. This is followed by the outlined study which covers every verse and paragraph with notations, references, interpretations, and explanations.

Dr. Green writes from devoted study to the Bible, broad scholarship, and wide preaching and pastoral experience in presenting the word so that people can understand. This outline opens clearly the meaning of the rich truths of the book of Acts. While it is in mimeographed form, it has plenty of room for notes and will prove invaluable to the earnest student.

HINTS FOR HOMEMAKERS by Ella Mae Miller (Keats, paper, 127 pp., 25c) Hundreds of practical hints to help the homemaker have an easier task, do a better job, and save money. Practical ideas for everyday use.

Subscription \$2.00 a year payable in advance. Published weekly except week of July 4 and Christmas. Second Class Postage paid at Jackson, Mississippi. The Baptist Record is a member of the Southern Press and the Evangelical Press Association.



"The Entrance Of Thy Words Giveth Light"

THE BAPTIST FORUM

Disagrees With Article On Faith Healing

Sir:

Re: "What About Faith Healing?" by Malcolm Tolbert — Sept. 28, 1974

I am most distressed to see such an article appear in my Baptist Record.

I found Mr. Tolbert unsure of what his belief is regarding Divine healings. In his first point he says . . . "Most diseases are subject to natural processes of remission. This means that we shall recover from most of our illnesses whether we take medicine, go to a doctor, pray, or do anything else." Point 5 states, "It is right, proper, and productive, therefore, that we pray earnestly for the sick and that they pray for themselves." I am not a fan of Kathryn Kuhlman's but she will not allow any recovery attributed to her but to Jesus and Jesus only.

I have always thought any time after the Old Testament was considered New Testament but Mr. Tolbert says "not so." I am sorry he has not had Jesus heal him or any in his family by intercession and fervent prayer, but I have seen, and I have the knowledge and faith that in Jesus' name miracles still do happen. I believe my Biblical also believe that the disciples' healings may not have been the gospel-truth — but how these interventions of God brought people around to listen to what was to be learned about

Grease wipes up so easily. It takes about two minutes to sew a button back on. A letter can be written in less than five minutes. The picture window can be windexed in less than that. A washer replacement to stop a leaky faucet must take all of three minutes (unless you live at our house — it takes thirty minutes to round up the tools absolutely nobody borrowed and failed to put back in place).

Returning borrowed books probably wouldn't take very long. Putting the top back on the toothpaste consumes roughly 5 seconds (after you find it among all the other unreturned tops strewn about the tub in the bathroom). Scrubbing the ring out of the bath tub involves brief seconds of time. Closing dresser drawers and closet doors take only a jiffy each. Flipping a towel across the towel bar instead of flopping it onto the floor is a momentary gesture.

All these are less - than - five - minute jobs.

Nothing makes a woman more edgy than to know her stove and its closest cabinets are spattered with grease. Nothing makes a husband more neglectful or less likeable.

On the other hand, there are moments when you are not put off and being allowed to cause as much unpleasant feeling as they cause.

It makes me think of the vineyard keeper who had such a nice bunch of vines, but some little foxes got in and made a mess of the whole deal.

These little foxes I have mentioned and others you would think about which spoil the vineyard of your disposition and frame of mind have no stature that we should let them exist in our homes, offices, schools, or wherever we tend our vineyard.

Wonder why we keep putting little jobs off when we know how ridiculously important they are?

Grease really does wipe up, so easily. P. O. Box 9151, Jackson 39206.

On The MORAL SCENE...

PUBLIC VIRTUE AND PRIVATE MORALITY — "Clare Boothe Luce recently said: 'Watergate is the great liberal illusion that you can have public virtue without private morality.' Truly it is an illusion, but it is not limited to liberals—or even to non-Christians, unfortunately. Countless people of all political persuasions believe in their hearts that what they do personally does not matter so long as the system is ethically intact. Such an outlook may be a direct result of the false notion that religion is and should be a private affair and that ethics must follow suit. Is it surprising that we cannot agree on the proper means of social order and justice?" — Christianity Today, May 10, 1974



Japanes Push For Self-Sufficiency

MT. AMAGI Japan Baptists are pushing for self-sufficiency. They want to grow their own food and produce their own energy. They are also trying to reduce their dependence on foreign imports.

Japanese Baptists are reducing their dependence on foreign imports. They are growing their own food and producing their own energy. They are also trying to reduce their dependence on foreign imports.

In future plans, Japanese Baptists are increasing their dependence on foreign imports. They are also trying to reduce their dependence on foreign imports.

Representatives of Japanese Baptists are attending a conference in Tokyo to discuss their self-sufficiency plan.

Statistics show that Japanese Baptists are committed to self-sufficiency. They are also trying to reduce their dependence on foreign imports.

Members of Japanese Baptists are active evangelists and missionaries. They are also trying to reduce their dependence on foreign imports.

Cannot Program Chairmen

NEW YORK man of the Commission agency cannot commercial broadcasting.

At the same time, expressed strong opposition to the FCC's proposal to ban religious programming.

"I happen to be different stations coming into the thing," said one source.

Mr. Wiley last March seven commissioners noted that criminal law enforcement is failing and that the beehive of the beehive.

The FCC is casting, competing and citizen band.

ed. First, it is important to guard against the FCC's proposal to ban religious programming.

One of the view every of the nation and 800 television commercials.

Hultgren Robinson

NASHVILLE Hultgren, Church of the Nazarene, named chairman of the board.

He succeeded of Augusta chairman f.

That the South Mission Chairman committed to the Southern Baptist Convention June to study the challenge. The Norfolk in

One small in 1845 will be set by the Baptists far before the

It has home made pose, to this.

It has made the clear and obvious.

Japanese Baptists Push For Financial Self-Sufficiency

MOUNT AMAGI, Japan (RNS) — The Japanese Baptist Convention is now near the halfway point in reaching its goal of complete self support, delegates were told at the organization's general assembly here at Mt. Amagi.

Japanese Baptists are attempting to reduce gradually their reliance on funds from the Southern Baptist Convention in the U.S. Their goal is financial self-sufficiency by 1977. This year, about 55 per cent of the Japanese Baptist's budget came from overseas.

In future years Japanese Baptists plan to make up this deficit by increased donations from member churches in Japan and by "cutting corners" and decreasing the number of paid personnel.

Representatives of 131 Japanese churches attended the meetings here. Atsukuni Ueki of Seinan Jo Gakuin, Baptist girls school in Kitakyushu, was elected president of the Convention, succeeding Shuichi Matsumura. Statistics reported at the convention show seven new churches were admitted last year, bringing to 163 the number of "self-supporting" churches, with a total membership of 23,000. Members of these churches support evangelistic programs in mission and preaching points, and have sponsored missionaries in Brazil several years.

Missions Study

Crisis Communities May Lose 500 Churches'

ATLANTA (BP) — A study of churches in crisis-communities, conducted by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board (HMB), has concluded nearly 500 of the denomination's churches will not exist in 10 years if present trends continue.

A community in crisis is one making significant changes in racial or ethnic, housing, industrial or commercial characteristics.

The study of nearly 1,000 churches assumed that the average Southern Baptist church designs its programs toward the white, middle class of America.

Therefore, if a community is changing to one of the defined crisis criteria, it will become something other than a middle class, white community.

The survey was a comprehensive questionnaire sent to 217 directors of missions in metropolitan associations to select the churches and compile data.

A 75 per cent response (average response for mail - out questionnaires is 25-30 per cent) showed that almost 18 per cent of the metropolitan association churches are in communities in crisis — 989 churches out of a possible 5,543.

Don Mabry of the board's department of survey and special studies carried out the survey for a project committee of the Southern Baptist Convention's (SBC) coordinating committee.

He reports more than 50 per cent

of the churches lost membership during the five year study (1969-73), with 44 per cent of these losing 50 or more persons. Seventy-two per cent had a net loss in average Sunday School attendance. (However, home Bible fellowships are not usually counted.) About 52 per cent of the churches have less than 150 in Sunday School.

"The data indicate the bulk of churches facing crisis communities are slowly dwindling down until they will cease to exist," says Mabry.

The project committee, headed by Warren Rust, also of the HMB, requested the survey to determine trends heretofore only suspected.

"The survey results will be shared with all program leaders of the Southern Baptist Convention so we can begin to act collectively to bring responses to bear on the problem," says Rust. "No single agency can handle it."

Sixty-five per cent of the churches have less than 200 in average attendance and one-third have less than 100 in attendance. "This indicates churches facing community crisis are the smaller churches which would have less leadership, buildings and money with which to meet the ministry needs in a community facing crisis," according to Mabry.

More than half the churches have total receipts of less than \$50,000 and 30 per cent have less than \$25,000.

"Many are moving toward a time when they cannot afford a full time

pastor living on the field and serving the church," says Mabry.

Size and location of churches did not exempt them from the crisis; even debt plays no significant role. More than two-thirds of the 989 had little or no indebtedness at all in 1973.

Also the evangelical thrust of the churches seemed to have no bearing on the losses. Only 15 of the churches reported no mission gifts in 1973. Twenty per cent gave \$2,000 - 3,000 last year. More than 30 per cent gave \$5,000 - 25,000 and 15 per cent gave \$25,000 or more in total mission gifts outside the individual churches.

In baptisms more than 10 per cent had 50 or more average for the 1969-73 study. The average number of baptisms SBC-wide is 12 per year.

Statistics were nearly the same for additions by letter.

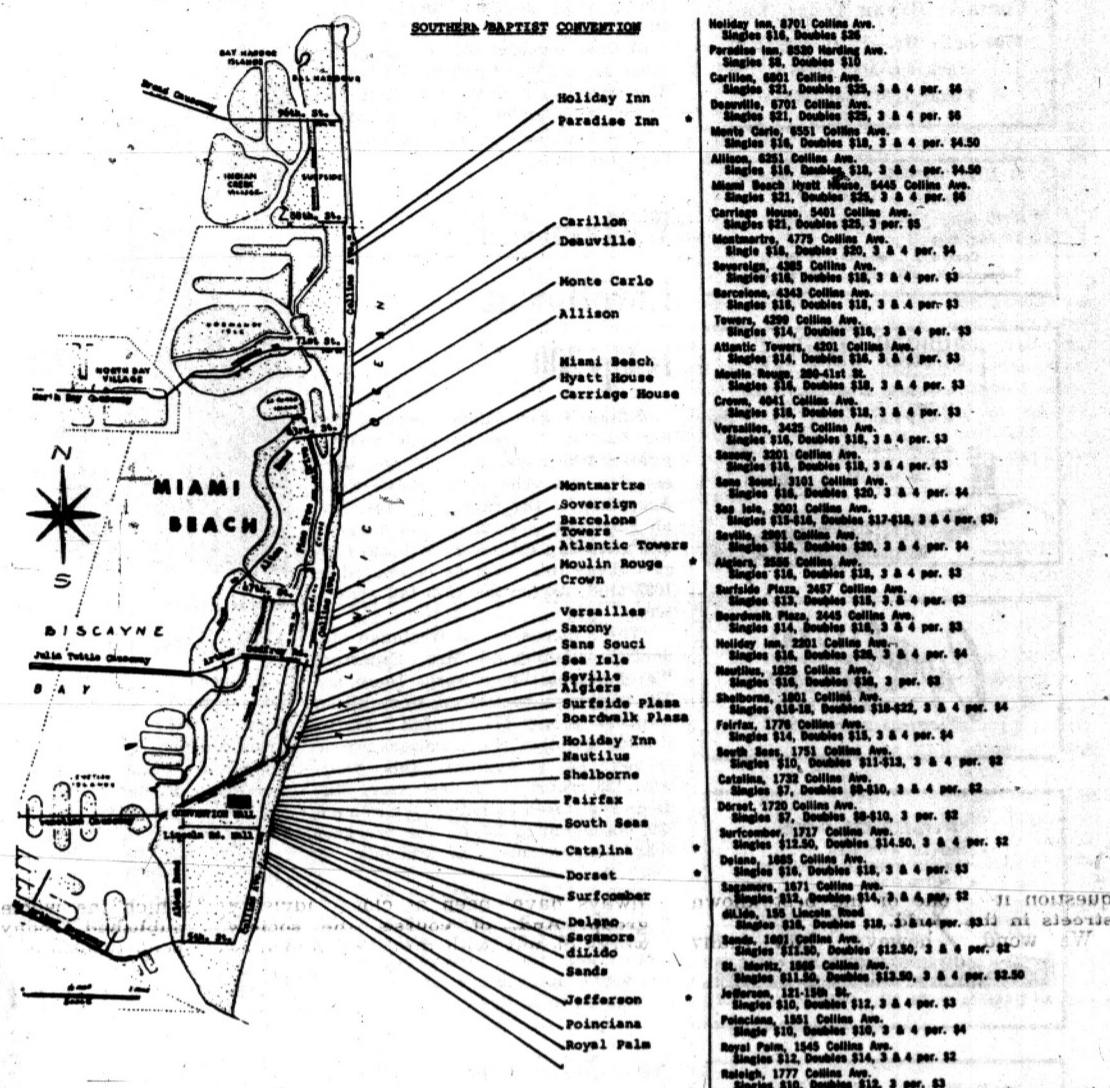
"This shows a strong evangelical thrust," says Mabry, "but the net gain is small since the mobility of most of these communities is extremely high. These churches are increasing their memberships significantly, but having small net increases because members move out of the communities almost as fast as new members join."

"In concluding the survey report, Mabry says that about 11,000 SBC churches are in the Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas of the United States."

"Since 17.6 per cent of the churches in the responding associations are in crisis communities, if this same percentage were applied to the 11,000 churches, there would be 1,936 churches located in crisis communities," adds Mabry.

"The dimensions of this problem suggest it is significantly large enough to warrant some diligent searching for solutions."

Southern Baptist Convention



SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION APPLICATION FOR HOTEL OR MOTEL RESERVATIONS

Please fill out form completely and mail to:

SBC Housing Bureau

555-17th Street

Miami Beach, Florida 33139

RESERVATIONS TO BE CLEARED THROUGH THE
SBC HOUSING BUREAU. Each request must give definite
date and approximate hour of arrival, and include names
and addresses of all persons who will occupy the room(s).

requested. If it should become necessary to cancel a reservation, please notify the SBC Housing Bureau promptly. At least four choices of hotels or motels are desirable. Reservations will be filled in order of date of receipt. Processing of reservations to begin October 1, 1974.

If accommodations at the hotel/motel of your choice are not available, the Housing Bureau will make a reservation elsewhere as near your request as possible, and you will receive confirmation direct from the hotel/motel.

Light house keeping rooms available and conveniently located to Convention Center. Write SBC Housing Bureau if interested.

HOTEL OR MOTEL PREFERENCES

1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

4th Choice _____

ARRIVAL DATE _____

MODE OF TRAVEL: Automobile Plane Bus Other

NAMES OF ALL OCCUPANTS:
(Please bracket those sharing room)

TYPE ROOM AND RATE DESIRED

Single Occupancy _____

Double Occupancy _____

Other _____

Parlor, Bedroom Suite _____

A.M. P.M. DEPARTURE DATE _____

MAIL CONFIRMATION TO: NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____
STATE _____

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Southern Baptist Convention	June 10-12
Woman's Missionary Union	June 8-9
Pastors' Conference	June 8-9
Religious Education Association	June 8-9
Church Music Conference	June 8-9

What's In A Name?

By Joe W. Burton

One of the first official acts of a small body of Christians gathered in Augusta, Georgia in May 1845 was to declare: "This body shall be styled the Southern Baptist Convention."

That name, given at the outset by less than 300 determined Baptists, has taken on meanings far beyond the boldest expectations of that little handful.

It has meant missions — at home and abroad. Two boards, made strong by deliberate purpose, have ever moved forward to this missionary trust.

It has signified evangelism. The fervent zeal to win souls has been the heartbeat of its people.

It has defined doctrine. Methods and literature have made clear the certainty of God's gracious purposes.

It has stood for a trained ministry, through six seminaries for advanced study. It has signified the support of the ministry, even into the senior years of retirement.

Today the Southern Baptist Convention is the worldwide endeavor of God's people to "elicit, combine and direct" their total energies for the preaching of the Gospel to the ends of the earth and to the end of time.

Verily, that name given to them in 1845 has meaning accumulated in their eventful history. It is significant as an identification of their present far-flung scope.

All of these deep meanings in that good name are essential now in consideration of the proposal of change.

Goodwin.

Bryan's Third Annual—Deluxe

HOLY LAND TOUR

10 Day Tour—Leaving Nov. 28 Visit the Holy Land with complete sightseeing of all major areas, including Jerusalem, Jericho, Masada, Bethlehem, Nablus, Tiberias, Sea of Galilee, Nazareth, Caesarea. Then 2 days in your choice—Rome, Athens, Switzerland. Stay in Jerusalem's finest deluxe hotel—THE INTERCONTINENTAL, located on Mt. of Olives.

Fly TWA's jumbo jets—No charter—no ships on rough winter seas. Personally escorted from Jackson by Clyde C. Bryan. This tour is for those who want the best. It is operated by Bryan Tours, Inc., the South's largest custom operator of Holy Land Tours. Few vacancies—limited membership closes soon.

Contact: Bryan Tours, Inc.
1700 Leila Dr.—P. O. Box 5221
Jackson, Ms. 39216
Phone (662) 361-1245

11 DAY BIBLE LANDS TOUR
1965 FROM NEW YORK
2 nights Egypt, 2 nights Jordan, 4 nights Israel,
& 1 night Rome.
Contact: J. L. Morgan, Box 26,
Tennessee, Ms. 37304 Phone (615) 452-4515

CHURCH STEEPLES
FABRICATED WITH STAINLESS STEEL
• 10 YEARS LIFE EXPECTANCY - 100% OF MODEL
• COMPLETE ERECTING IN CLUSTERED
• 10 YEAR WARRANTY - 10 PLATE
• STAINLESS STEEL
• "STAINLESS" STAINLESS STEEL
• CHURCH STEEPLES
• WALL CROSSES
• BAPTISMAL POOLS

Capital FLORAL
CONTRACT, INC.
Phone FL 5-2471
LAWES & AGERS
Progressive..... 1967

FIBERGLASS
• STEPLESS & CROSSSES
• STAINED FIBERGLASS WINDOWS
• LIGHTED SIGNS
• BAPTISTRIES
• TABERNACLES
• BAPTISMAL POOLS

OLD BIBLES REBOUND
A great binding and style to meet every
need. Many styles to choose from.
Write for illustrated price folder.
"Internationally known specialist"
NORRIS BOOKBINDING CO.
Box 355-C • Greenwood, Miss. 38901

SCHOOL BUSES
25 Buses in very good condition.
Various makes and models ranging
from 1961 through 1969. Prices
ranging from \$1750 to \$4500.
BARNETT AUTO SALES
Cartergo, Ms. 39051
Phones (662) 237-0651 and
237-0606

NEW BAPTO
The Convenient,
Disposable Baptismal
Robe.
• OPAQUE
• NON-
REVEALING
• FIREPROOF
• WATER
REPELLENT

This BAPTO™ robe is designed to fill a need for a baptismal robe that is attractive yet economical, lightweight, but opaque and, of course, easy to put on and take off. Little water is needed to dry the dressing room. Write for complete information.

ULTRALITE LAP & LINING CO.
1000 N. Main St.

**things go
better
with Coke**

East Louisville

**Will Observe
30th Anniversary**

East Louisville Church will celebrate its 30th anniversary on October 30. The church was founded in 1944 with 21 charter members. A new church building was erected in 1958 and a new pastorium was completed in 1964. During a recent morning service a note burning ceremony was held, clearing the church of all debt.

Regular services will be held in the morning; Sunday School beginning at 10. There will be special music during the worship hour and Rev. Kenneth Miller, a former pastor, will bring the message. Lunch will be served by the church.

A music program is planned for the afternoon. Rev. Taylor Wallace, former pastor, will bring the evening message following Church Training at 6.

A goal of 225 has been set for Sunday School and 100 for Church Training. Offering goal for the day is \$2,000.

Revival services will begin on October 21 and run through October 27. The public is invited. A special invitation is extended to all members, former members, former pastors and their families.

**William Carey
Enrollment
Is Up 200**

William Carey College reports that the fall enrollment includes approximately 200 more students than were enrolled last year at the same time. According to the registrar, Mrs. Sarah Emerson, a total of 1218 students are attending classes at William Carey College this term as compared to 1022 students for the 1973 fall semester.

"The increase in freshmen students," commented Mrs. Emerson, "is of notable importance. There are 236 freshmen registered this fall in contrast to only 177 last fall." Statistics for the other classifications are as follows: 123 sophomores this year, with 128 recorded for last year. Students registered as juniors number 230, compared to 193 for the previous year. Seniors count 281 students as contrasted to 308 last year.

Other categories included in the Carey fall enrollment picture are: 128 graduate students in the areas of education and music (compared to 12 last year), and 180 special students (compared to 216 last year).

**New Ministerial
Scholarship Set Up
At Blue Mountain**

A Clarence and Clytie Purvis Ministerial Scholarship is being established.

**First Church, Gautier Begins
"Two Sunday School" Program**

First Church, Gautier was organized in 1942 when the community was young and small. Since then, through the increase of employment by Litton - Ingall's and other industries, Gautier has grown to an unincorporated city of more than 12,000.

During this same period of growth for the community, First Baptist Church has also grown, so rapidly that the building program has been far exceeded. More people are attending than there are buildings to house them in Sunday School.

"A Building Committee has been elected. Yet even with work progressing the church is still several months and many dollars away from building the needed educational facilities to house everyone adequately," says the pastor, Rev. John G. Brock.

Therefore, the church has voted to remedy the problem by doubling the use of facilities. Beginning Sunday, October 6, First Church began a two

Sunday School, one worship service program. The time schedule is as follows: 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. First Sunday School; 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. morning

**Bible Drill
Leaflets Available
For 1974-75**

The Children's Bible Drill leaflet and the Youth Bible Drill leaflet are now available from the Mississippi Church Training Department, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi 39205.

These leaflets outline the procedures and rules with the verses and material forming the content of the Children's Bible Drill and Youth Bible Drill which are promoted annually by the Mississippi Church Training Department.

This is a scripture memorization and Bible skill activity which is recommended as part of the work of children's departments and youth training groups in the churches of the state.

worship; 11 - 12 a.m., second Sunday School.

In the two Sunday Schools held October 6, there were 449 present, a record attendance, going over the goal of 425. Recently the attendance had been averaging about 350, and the former record attendance had been 398.

Residents of Gautier and surround-

ing areas are invited to come for Bible study and worship with the people of First Church, Gautier. The pastor, Rev. John G. Brock states that other programs are also offered in the fields of music, youth, missions, Bible study, kindergarten, and Christian training. "These programs are Bible centered and family oriented," he adds.

YOUTH

**Church Training Workshop
For KEY Youth and the Adults who work
With Them in Church Training**

OCTOBER 14-15

**BROADMOOR BAPTIST CHURCH
JACKSON
7:00-9:00 p.m.**

WANTED: Christian man or couple, with good moral character; Live in apartment, food and clothing and small salary furnished. He should be able to work with all ages of men, teach Staff Bible Class, and do some preaching. Send resume and references to Rev. Tom Williford, P. O. Box 3554, Shreveport, La. 71103.

HEADQUARTERS

School & Church Furniture

• Complete stock of chairs, tables, desks and furnishings for Classroom, Library, Sunday School, Auditorium, Cafeteria and every School and Church use.

**MISSISSIPPI
School Supply Co.
JACKSON MISSISSIPPI**

**AUDITION FREE
FOR 15 DAYS!**

THE MOST FAMOUS RECORDINGS OF OUR TIME

THE BIBLE

WITH BREATHTAKING MUSIC FROM THE HOLY LAND.
GUIDE TO THE BIBLE AND A PORTFOLIO OF
BIBLICAL ART TREASURES INCLUDED.

**NO OBLIGATION TO BUY—EVER.
NOT AVAILABLE IN STORES—ONLY BY MAIL.**

**ACCLAIMED BY THE WORLD'S
RELIGIOUS LEADERS.**

This collection has been hailed as the single most important recorded Biblical work. A partial list of distinguished international religious leaders who have voiced unanimous praise for the recordings: Dr. Billy Graham/Dr. Norman Vincent Peale/The Archbishop of York/The Bishops of London, Durham, Manchester, Chichester and Blackburn/The General Secretary of The Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland/The Secretary of The Congregational Union of England and Wales/The Secretary of The Presbyterian Church of England/The General Secretary of The British Council of Churches/The General Secretary of The Free Church Federal Council/The Moderator of The General Assembly of the Church of Scotland/The Chief Rabbi/The Archbishop of Wales/Lutheran Council of The United States of America.

Dr. Billy Graham: "I am happy to have this opportunity of endorsing Sir Laurence Olivier's Bible recordings. To someone who is committed to the cause of God reaching into as many homes as possible, I can think of no more artistically beautiful way than this."

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale: "The Bible records are just superb... they are an essentially great contribution."

© 1974, GRT Corp.

FREE AUDITION—MAIL TODAY

MAIL TO **ERT** GRT MUSIC PRODUCTIONS DEPT. JR-1060
DIRECT MARKETING DIVISION
8 COMMERCIAL STREET
HICKSVILLE, NEW YORK 11801

YES! Upon acceptance of my order, please send the complete collection of Sir Laurence Olivier's recordings. The **Bible** and **A Portfolio of Biblical Art Treasures**.

LP RECORDS LONG PLAYING CASSETTE TAPES 8-TRACK-TAPES
Accompanying the recordings will be a **Guide to The Bible** and a **Portfolio of Biblical Art Treasures**. The **Guide** contains the entire text of the recordings. **LP** records cost \$29.95 for records or \$44.95 for tapes plus \$2.95 for postage and handling for either. I may pay the entire amount in advance or charge it to my credit card. I understand that all recordings are guaranteed against defects for a period of three years. If I decide not to purchase **The Bible**, I agree to return all materials at the end of the 15-day audition period.

Please print.
NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
SIGNATURE _____

**Hindu Girl Finds Christ;
Co-Workers Aided Her**

BANGALORE, India — Southern Baptist missionary Mrs. Richard N. Hellinger was hesitant to hire a Hindu girl to work in the Bible Way Correspondence School here, but she did, people prayed and the girl is now a Saviour.

Several Christian men working at the school shared their faith with India. One man asked her to pray with him simultaneously at 6:30 one morning to see what God would reveal. When she came to work that day, she said nothing had happened when she prayed.

Later that day Mrs. Hellinger learned the Baptist hospital here needed a clerk. She realized that this would be a good job of Indira, knowing how much she needed money.

The next morning the man who had asked Indira to pray with him announced that Indira had trusted Jesus.

One of 18 children, Indira needed a job as well as the atmosphere, but there wasn't enough money in the budget to hire another clerk, even though one was needed to keep up with the work at the growing school.

Mrs. Hellinger decided to pay her personally. She prayed that God would leave Indira in the office long enough for her to trust Christ as her

confessed Jesus as her Saviour.

Mrs. Hellinger's prayer that Indira find Christ before moving on was answered with God's perfect timing.

Sunday

Go

Although built was

structure.

5:1 to 7:51

2:1 to 4:21

count is sh

Chronicles

and therefore

lesson focus

worship in

omon.

The

BRINGING

TEMPLE

Sunda

Di

II

It is ha

mail and

talking ab

one side of

reason tha

Bible hard

27 books f

22 are let

dy some le

to make o

these letter

COCA,

cross - co

road runn

the north

colonizers

construction

Baptist m

was not f

Colonist

claims on

developing

orities est

ilies have

resenting

a new op

Gilbert w

comfort a

The Ec

ness to b

Spanish

area that

the east

Mountai

der and

of Peru.

This is

ness to b

God Reveals His Concern About Worship

By William J. Fallis
2 Chronicles 5:7

Although the Temple that Solomon built was not really so large, its construction and artistic decoration required seven years. Hiram, king of Tyre, supplied cypress and cedar, and metal-workers from Tyre designed and cast in bronze several large features and many minor furnishings of the Temple. It must have been an impressive structure. This story is told in 1 Kings 1 to 7:51 and also in 2 Chronicles 1 to 4:22. Perhaps the latter account is shorter because the writer of Chronicles may have been a Levite and therefore more interested in worship than in construction details. Our lesson focuses on the experience of worship in the Temple built by Solomon.

The Lesson Explained
BRINGING THE ARK TO THE TEMPLE (5:7-10)

Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

Discipline And Forgiveness

II Corinthians 1:12-2:1

It is hard to read someone else's mail and know what the writer is talking about. It is like listening to one side of a conversation. This is the reason that people sometimes find the Bible hard to understand. There are 27 books in the New Testament and 22 are letters. By research and study some helps have been provided to make clear the subject matter of these letters.

The letters to the Corinthians are among the most difficult to understand because Paul is writing to give advice and divine guidance to the church's particular problems. What are the

Missionary Work In Ecuador Expands To Eastern Jungles

By Stanley D. Stamps

COCA, Ecuador (BP) — When a cross - country oil pipeline with a new road running beside it advanced into the northeastern jungles of Ecuador, colonizers were on the heels of the construction workers, and Southern Baptist missionary James P. Gilbert was not far behind.

Now after 15 years in Ecuador's capital, Gilbert and his wife Dottie have moved to the jungle. The situation has changed.

Long before the pipeline was finished, thousands from all over the country hurried to grab up the land offered by the government's land reform program.

Colonists now are staking out claims on both sides of the pipeline, developing small communities. Authorities estimate that over 30,000 families have moved into the area, representing 150,000 people. Looking for a new opportunity, James and Dottie Gilbert were lured away from the comfort and security of the city.

The Ecuador Mission (organization of Southern Baptist missionaries) recommended that the mission establish a station in Coca and the Gilberts were permitted to locate here.

This is the first evangelistic witness to be established among the Spanish - speaking colonists in an area that reaches all the way from the eastern fringe of the Andes Mountains, north to the Columbia border and east and south to the border of Peru.



In the area of Coca, Ecuador, currently being transformed from sparsely-settled jungle to a more densely-populated region, Southern Baptist missionary James P. Gilbert tries to evangelize and minister to the new residents. Since oil has been discovered in the area, the population has boomed. The government has built a road alongside a cross - country oil pipeline making the area more accessible. (BP) photo.

SINGING PRAISE TO THE LORD (5:11-14)

After David captured Jerusalem and made it his capital, he had the ark brought from the house of Abinadab to Jerusalem and placed it under a special tent (2 Sam. 6:17). Now it was Solomon's turn to give it a new and permanent home. In the midst of much sacrificing the priests carried it into "the most holy place." The word "oracle" here means the place where communications from God are received. The cherubim were two giant, winged figures which seemed to guard the holy of holies and the ark. Some thought that the invisible "presence" of God was above the ark and between those outstretched wings.

The ark contained the two stones on which were written the ten laws God gave at Sinai (Deut. 10:1-5). These were the tangible evidence of the covenant God had made with his people. Neither they nor the chest were to be worshipped. But placing the ark in the Temple was the climax toward which all the planning and building had moved.

All of 2 Chronicles 6 is Solomon's blessing of the people and his dedicatory prayer.

Then began two weeks of "solemn assembly" (7:9) and celebration. After the people had been sent home, "the Lord appeared to Solomon by night" (7:12) to respond to the praise and prayer. Here we come upon one of the great statements of the Old Testament — really an echo of the covenant between God and his chosen people.

Nature operates within the permissive will of God; he permits both flood and drought. Locusts are a part of his creation, and a cloud of them moved by hunger may rob man of his own food. The Hebrews saw a moral meaning in such disasters; God used them to punish and teach his people. The famous verse 14 is an open invitation. They must admit to whom they belonged and be willing to face him. Just being sorry would not be enough, however; they must "turn from their wicked ways." In that mood they could receive God's forgiveness. Through the years some of the people were willing to claim that promise.

GOD'S PROMISE TO HIS PEOPLE (7:12-14)

All of 2 Chronicles 6 is Solomon's blessing of the people and his dedicatory prayer.

Then began two weeks of "solemn assembly" (7:9) and celebration.

After the people had been sent home, "the Lord appeared to Solomon by night" (7:12) to respond to the praise and prayer. Here we come upon one of the great statements of the Old Testament — really an echo of the covenant between God and his chosen people.

Nature operates within the permissive will of God; he permits both

flood and drought. Locusts are a part of his creation, and a cloud of them

moved by hunger may rob man of his own food. The Hebrews saw a

moral meaning in such disasters; God used them to punish and teach his

people. The famous verse 14 is an

open invitation. They must admit to

whom they belonged and be willing to

face him. Just being sorry would

not be enough, however; they must

"turn from their wicked ways."

In that mood they could receive God's

forgiveness. Through the years some

of the people were willing to claim

that promise.

Then began two weeks of "solemn assembly" (7:9) and celebration.

After the people had been sent home, "the Lord appeared to Solomon by night" (7:12) to respond to the praise and prayer. Here we come upon one of the great statements of the Old Testament — really an echo of the covenant between God and his chosen people.

Nature operates within the permissive will of God; he permits both

flood and drought. Locusts are a part of his creation, and a cloud of them

moved by hunger may rob man of his own food. The Hebrews saw a

moral meaning in such disasters; God used them to punish and teach his

people. The famous verse 14 is an

open invitation. They must admit to

whom they belonged and be willing to

face him. Just being sorry would

not be enough, however; they must

"turn from their wicked ways."

In that mood they could receive God's

forgiveness. Through the years some

of the people were willing to claim

that promise.

Then began two weeks of "solemn assembly" (7:9) and celebration.

After the people had been sent home, "the Lord appeared to Solomon by night" (7:12) to respond to the praise and prayer. Here we come upon one of the great statements of the Old Testament — really an echo of the covenant between God and his chosen people.

Nature operates within the permissive will of God; he permits both

flood and drought. Locusts are a part of his creation, and a cloud of them

moved by hunger may rob man of his own food. The Hebrews saw a

moral meaning in such disasters; God used them to punish and teach his

people. The famous verse 14 is an

open invitation. They must admit to

whom they belonged and be willing to

face him. Just being sorry would

not be enough, however; they must

"turn from their wicked ways."

In that mood they could receive God's

forgiveness. Through the years some

of the people were willing to claim

that promise.

Then began two weeks of "solemn assembly" (7:9) and celebration.

After the people had been sent home, "the Lord appeared to Solomon by night" (7:12) to respond to the praise and prayer. Here we come upon one of the great statements of the Old Testament — really an echo of the covenant between God and his chosen people.

Nature operates within the permissive will of God; he permits both

flood and drought. Locusts are a part of his creation, and a cloud of them

moved by hunger may rob man of his own food. The Hebrews saw a

moral meaning in such disasters; God used them to punish and teach his

people. The famous verse 14 is an

open invitation. They must admit to

whom they belonged and be willing to

face him. Just being sorry would

not be enough, however; they must

"turn from their wicked ways."

In that mood they could receive God's

forgiveness. Through the years some

of the people were willing to claim

that promise.

Then began two weeks of "solemn assembly" (7:9) and celebration.

After the people had been sent home, "the Lord appeared to Solomon by night" (7:12) to respond to the praise and prayer. Here we come upon one of the great statements of the Old Testament — really an echo of the covenant between God and his chosen people.

Nature operates within the permissive will of God; he permits both

flood and drought. Locusts are a part of his creation, and a cloud of them

moved by hunger may rob man of his own food. The Hebrews saw a

moral meaning in such disasters; God used them to punish and teach his

people. The famous verse 14 is an

open invitation. They must admit to

whom they belonged and be willing to

face him. Just being sorry would

not be enough, however; they must

"turn from their wicked ways."

In that mood they could receive God's

forgiveness. Through the years some

of the people were willing to claim

that promise.

Then began two weeks of "solemn assembly" (7:9) and celebration.

After the people had been sent home, "the Lord appeared to Solomon by night" (7:12) to respond to the praise and prayer. Here we come upon one of the great statements of the Old Testament — really an echo of the covenant between God and his chosen people.

Nature operates within the permissive will of God; he permits both

flood and drought. Locusts are a part of his creation, and a cloud of them

moved by hunger may rob man of his own food. The Hebrews saw a

moral meaning in such disasters; God used them to punish and teach his

people. The famous verse 14 is an

open invitation. They must admit to

whom they belonged and be willing to

face him. Just being sorry would

not be enough, however; they must

"turn from their wicked ways."

In that mood they could receive God's

forgiveness. Through the years some

of the people were willing to claim

that promise.

Then began two weeks of "solemn assembly" (7:9) and celebration.

After the people had been sent home, "the Lord appeared to Solomon by night" (7:12) to respond to the praise and prayer. Here we come upon one of the great statements of the Old Testament — really an echo of the covenant between God and his chosen people.

Nature operates within the permissive will of God; he permits both

flood and drought. Locusts are a part of his creation, and a cloud of them

moved by hunger may rob man of his own food. The Hebrews saw a

moral meaning in such disasters; God used them to punish and teach his

people. The famous verse 14 is an

open invitation. They must admit to

whom they belonged and be willing to

face him. Just being sorry would

not be enough, however; they must

"turn from their wicked ways."

In that mood they could receive God's

forgiveness. Through the years some

of the people were willing to claim

that promise.

Then began two weeks of "solemn assembly" (7:9) and celebration.

After the people had been sent home, "the Lord appeared to Solomon by night" (7:12) to respond to the praise and prayer. Here we come upon one of the great statements of the Old Testament — really an echo of the covenant between God and his chosen people.

Nature operates within the permissive will of God; he permits both

flood and drought. Locusts are a part of his creation, and a cloud of them



30th Homecoming

At Oak Grove

Oak Grove Church, Rt. 1, Lexington, at Tolarville, will observe 30th annual homecoming Sunday, October 13. There will be dinner on the ground and afternoon singing. The New Faith Generation Singers of Parkway Church, Kosciusko, will be featured singers. Former members, former pastors, and friends are invited. Rev. Walter Hines is the pastor.

Clear Branch Church

Homecoming Oct. 13

Clear Branch Church near Terry will observe homecoming on October 13. Rev. E. N. Sullivan, pastor of County Line Church, Crystal Springs, will preach the morning message. Lunch will be served at the church. The afternoon service will include congregational singing and special music by Carl and Lynda Floyd of Jackson. Rev. Ralph Brady, pastor, extends an invitation to the public to be present for this occasion.

Homecoming At Harland's Creek

On October 13 Harland's Creek Church, Holmes County, will observe annual Homecoming - Harvest Day celebration. This is a special event in the church year when all offerings go to the retirement of the indebtedness of the pastorum.

All members, former members and friends are invited for the day of preaching, good food, and fellowship. Rev. C. M. Day is the interim pastor.

Stonewall Homecoming

Homecoming at Stonewall Church in Simpson County is set for October 20. Two services will be held, in addition to dinner on the ground. All former members and friends are invited.

New Hope Homecoming

New Hope Church (Lawrence) will observe Homecoming Day on October 13.

The speaker for the morning service will be Rev. Sam Waggoner, a former pastor. The afternoon service will be one of singing provided by local groups.

"We are looking forward to another good homecoming. All former members and friends are invited," says Rev. Talmadge Smith, pastor.

Eret Burns Note

On Pastorum

Eret Church, State Line, held homecoming day on September 22, with Rev. Emery James delivering the morning message.

After the hymn singing service at 2:45 p.m., a note-taking ceremony was held to destroy the note on the new pastorum. Rev. Wilson W. Boggs, Clarke - Wayne superintendent of missions, delivered the afternoon address.

Rev. L. J. Fairchild is interim pastor.

The turtle makes progress when he sticks his neck out.

The only way to have a friend is to be one.

Off The Record

A salesman was trying to interest a country store owner in a hearing aid.

"I get along with someting a lot better than that gadget," said the

A businessman handed the hotel manager a bouquet of flowers and said in a sympathetic voice, "It's for the switchboard operator."

The manager looked pleased.

cos. pocket to his ear.

"This," he announced proudly, "cost me only a few cents."

"But how can that wire help you hear?" asked the puzzled salesman.

"You'd be surprised," said the store owner. "When people see this, they talk louder."

In a small restaurant in Texas, a traveler ordered two fried eggs and was surprised that he was charged a dollar apiece for them. He asked the proprietor, "Are eggs scarce around here?"

"No," replied the owner, "but tourist are."

I thought she was dead.

An adult is a man who has stopped growing at both ends, but not in the middle.

At the end of a driving lesson, the instructor sighed as he studied his nervous pupil clutching the wheel. "We still have a few minutes left," he said, "Shall I show you how to fill in accident forms?"

Customer: You say it costs you \$20 to make these watches. Well, if you sell them for \$20 how do you make any profit?

Shopkeeper: That comes from repairing them.

Rev. Jarrett C. Bigbee of Rt. 1, Portland, Tennessee 37148 has recently entered into full-time evangelism. Born and reared near Orlando, Tennessee, he is a veteran of World War II, and a graduate of Western Kentucky. He taught school for thirteen years and has pastored churches in both Kentucky and Tennessee. He and his family are now making their home on a 77-acre farm in Robertson County, Tenn., where he lived seven years before answering the call to preach at the age of 39. (His telephone number is 615-654-2294).

Dr. William H. Lewis, who holds the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Missouri, has been named associate professor of music theory in the William Carey College School of Music. He replaces Dr. Benjamin Dunford who died in August, having served 11 years on the music faculty. According to Dr. Donald Winters, Dean of the School of Music, Dr. Lewis holds both the Master of Science degree and the Bachelor of Science degree from Westchester State College in Westchester, Pennsylvania. Since 1967 he has been associated with Oklahoma College of Liberal Arts in Chickasha, Oklahoma.

Names In The News

At the close of a Lord's Supper service, Sunday night, September 29, Hillcrest Church, New Albany, licensed to the gospel ministry Don L. Hulsey, freshman at Blue Mountain College. Don plans to prepare for either foreign or home missionary service through college, and later seminary, and is available for supply preaching. He is a 1974 graduate of W. P. Daniel High School and for approximately two years has served as director of New Albany's Christian Youth Center, THE TROJAN. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Glen D. Hulsey, 222 Substation Road. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin D. Hulsey and Mrs. William Hulsey, all of New Albany.

1st, Coldwater Centennial Is October 13

First Church, Coldwater will celebrate its centennial on October 13, with all-day services.

Dr. Anthony S. Kay, former pastor at Coldwater and now pastor at Crestview, Florida, will be the guest speaker for both morning and night services.

The afternoon program will include music, and recognition of former members and special guests. Rev. Ervin Brown, Desoto superintendent of missions, is the interim pastor.

Calvary, Corinth Honors Pastor Culp

On September 8, members of Calvary Church, Corinth, honored their pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Culp, with a surprise Appreciation Day Service. The surprise was revealed during the morning worship service when Billy Dan Taylor invited the many friends and relatives of the couple, who had come to share this special day with them, to enter the sanctuary.

Mrs. Ann Thompson pinned a corsage of red roses on Mrs. Culp while Mrs. Linda Crum pinned a red rose boutonniere on Mr. Culp. James Newcomb presented the Culps with a plaque expressing the church's appreciation to them.

Dr. James Travis of Blue Mountain College brought a special message, followed by lunch in the fellowship hall. The choir presented special music under the direction of Billy Dan Taylor. Paul Cromane read some of the letters from friends who were unable to attend.

A tribute written especially for the Culps by members of the church was read by Gerald Wegmann. Other gifts included a scrapbook, presented by Mrs. Peggy Jumper. Mrs. Culp's father, J. C. Ward of Grenada, closed the service with prayer.

Southern Hills Church, Jackson, October 6-13; Evangelist Joe Royal, guest preacher; Tom Larimore, music evangelist; services on both Sundays at regular hours; week-day services at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. David T. Cranford, pastor.

Calvary, Gulfport: October 13-18; Rev. Jerry Estes, pastor of New Hope Church, Gulfport, evangelist; Rev. Rodney Smith of Gulfport, song leader; Rev. James E. Parker, pastor; services at 7:15 p.m.

Sandersville (Jones): October 20-24; Rev. James McCall, pastor of First, Sharon, evangelist; Wayne Meeks, minister of music, Wildwood, Laurel, directing the music; regular services on Sunday; during week at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Horace Carpenter, pastor.

First Church, Natchez: October 20-27; services at 7:30 p.m.; Dr. Angel Martinez, evangelist; Steve Taylor, singer; Rev. Odean W. Puckett, pastor.

Bellehaven Church, Ocean Springs: October 16-20; Rev. Frank Gunn, pastor of First Church, Biloxi, evangelist; Rev. Ralph Kelly, pastor.

FORT WORTH — Miss Kathy Harvey of Indianapolis, Ind., and Harold R. Best of Inlet, N. Y., have received Distinguished Communications Scholarships from the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission in Fort Worth.

The scholarships are awarded annually to Southern Baptist broadcasting students. This year's scholarships honor Frank Stanton, former president of Columbia Broadcasting System and president of the American National Red Cross.

HARRISBURG, Pa. (BP) — Walter E. (Ed) Browning, associate in the Sunday School division of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, has been named director of the division of religious education of the Baptist Convention of Pennsylvania - South Jersey.

New Palestine Calls Pastor

Harry Barnes, a recent graduate of New Orleans Seminary, has been called as pastor of New Palestine Church of Picayune.

Mr. Barnes received his B. A. degree from Mobile College, and served as pastor; Rev. Jerry Henderson, pastor.

Petal - Harvey Church: September 22-26; 19 for baptism; six by letter; 20 rededications; Rev. Jerry Passmore, pastor of Olive Church, Pensacola, Fla., evangelist; Gary Hodges, minister of music and youth, Woodlawn Church, Vicksburg, song leader; Rev. Jerry Henderson, pastor.

West Ellisville Church, Ellisville: Sept. 15-18; Rev. Houston Adkins, pastor; Tommy and Diane Winders, Tupelo, evangelists; 54 decisions; 12 by letter; 17 professions of faith.

Industry need not wish.

Achievement has limits, endeavor none.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Batson, recently appointed missionaries to Brazil, have arrived at language school for one year prior to assuming their regular assignment (address: Caixa 1635, 13100 Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil). Both are native of Mississippi.

Miss Shirley Jackson, missionary to Brazil, has arrived in the States for furlough (address: 4 Elm St., Natchez, Miss. 39120).

She was born in Bentonville, Ark., and grew up near Natchez.

Three

New Palestine he was pastor of Southside, Lucedale.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Barnes of Jackson. His wife is the former Theda Windham of Benton.

The Barnes have three daughters, Cindy and Donna of Mobile, Alabama, and Kathleen, who is at home with her parents.

The same fire that burns wood hardens steel.

The best way out of a difficulty is through it.

A thousand-mile journey begins with a single step.

Industry need not wish.

Achievement has limits, endeavor none.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Batson, recently appointed missionaries to Brazil, have arrived at language school for one year prior to assuming their regular assignment (address: Caixa 1635, 13100 Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil). Both are native of Mississippi.

Miss Shirley Jackson, missionary to Brazil, has arrived in the States for furlough (address: 4 Elm St., Natchez, Miss. 39120).

She was born in Bentonville, Ark., and grew up near Natchez.

Three

New Palestine he was pastor of Southside, Lucedale.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Barnes of Jackson. His wife is the former Theda Windham of Benton.

The Barnes have three daughters, Cindy and Donna of Mobile, Alabama, and Kathleen, who is at home with her parents.

The same fire that burns wood hardens steel.

The best way out of a difficulty is through it.

A thousand-mile journey begins with a single step.

Industry need not wish.

Achievement has limits, endeavor none.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Batson, recently appointed missionaries to Brazil, have arrived at language school for one year prior to assuming their regular assignment (address: Caixa 1635, 13100 Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil). Both are native of Mississippi.

Miss Shirley Jackson, missionary to Brazil, has arrived in the States for furlough (address: 4 Elm St., Natchez, Miss. 39120).

She was born in Bentonville, Ark., and grew up near Natchez.

Three

New Palestine he was pastor of Southside, Lucedale.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Barnes of Jackson. His wife is the former Theda Windham of Benton.

The Barnes have three daughters, Cindy and Donna of Mobile, Alabama, and Kathleen, who is at home with her parents.

The same fire that burns wood hardens steel.

The best way out of a difficulty is through it.

A thousand-mile journey begins with a single step.

Industry need not wish.

Achievement has limits, endeavor none.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Batson, recently appointed missionaries to Brazil, have arrived at language school for one year prior to assuming their regular assignment (address: Caixa 1635, 13100 Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil). Both are native of Mississippi.

Miss Shirley Jackson, missionary to Brazil, has arrived in the States for furlough (address: 4 Elm St., Natchez, Miss. 39120).

She was born in Bentonville, Ark., and grew up near Natchez.

Three

New Palestine he was pastor of Southside, Lucedale.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Barnes of Jackson. His wife is the former Theda Windham of Benton.

The Barnes have three daughters, Cindy and Donna of Mobile, Alabama, and Kathleen, who is at home with her parents.

The same fire that burns wood hardens steel.

The best way out of a difficulty is through it.

A thousand-mile journey begins with a single step.

Industry need not wish.

Achievement has limits, endeavor none.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Batson, recently appointed missionaries to Brazil, have arrived at language school for one year prior to assuming their regular assignment (address: Caixa 1635, 13100 Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil). Both are native of Mississippi.

Miss Shirley Jackson, missionary to Brazil, has arrived in the States for furlough (address: 4 Elm St., Natchez, Miss. 39120).

She was born in Bentonville, Ark., and grew up near Natchez.

Three

New Palestine he was pastor of Southside, Lucedale.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Barnes of Jackson. His wife is the former Theda Windham of Benton.

The Barnes have three daughters, Cindy and Donna of Mobile, Alabama, and Kathleen, who is at home with her parents.

The same fire that burns wood hardens steel.

The best way out of a difficulty is through it.

A thousand-mile journey begins with a single step.

Industry need not wish.

Achievement has limits, endeavor none.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Batson, recently appointed missionaries to Brazil, have arrived at language school for one year prior to assuming their regular assignment (address: Caixa 1635, 13100 Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil). Both are native of Mississippi.

Miss Shirley Jackson, missionary to Brazil, has arrived in the States for furlough (address: 4 Elm St., Natchez, Miss.